GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
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MEGA CITY SCHEME
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Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether several States have sent proposals for declaring their cities as `Mega city`;

(b) if so, the names of these cities; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)&(b): Requests were received from Gujarat, Maharashtraand NCTof Delhi for inclusion of Ahmedabad, Pune, Nagpur and Delhi respectively under the Mega City Scheme.

(c): Ahmedabad, Pune, Nagpur can not be included under the Mega CityScheme as the population of these cities was less than 4 million as per 1991 census which is the criterion fixed for inclusion under the Scheme. Delhi was not included as the city being the National Capital, large part of infrastructural development needs of the city is being taken care of by the Central Government.